



***ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION***

***DECEMBER 3, 2001  
12:15 P.M.***

***CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER***

***AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL***

**1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (All present)**

A communication from the Honorable Ralph K. Smith, Mayor, requesting a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on various authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**(Approved 7-0)**

**File #110-132**

A communication from Council Member C. Nelson Harris, Chair, City Council's Personnel Committee, requesting that Council meet in Closed Meeting to discuss appointment of a new Director of Finance, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**(Approved 7-0)**

**File #1-110-132**

**THE MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS AT 12:17 P.M. TO BE RECONVENED AT 12:20 P.M. IN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 159, FOR A MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL/THE ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD/AND AREA LEGISLATORS.**

**AT 1:35 P.M., THE MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION AT 1:45 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL'S CONFERENCE ROOM.**



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2:00 P.M.***

***CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER***

***AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL***

**1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (All present)**

The Invocation was delivered by The Reverend Kevin S. Smith, Pastor, Washington Heights Grace Brethren Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Ralph K. Smith.

Welcome. Mayor Smith.

**NOTICE:**

Meetings of Roanoke City Council are televised live on RVTN Channel 3. Today's meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, December 6, 2001, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, December 8, 2001, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are now being offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.**

**THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE NOW PROVIDES THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA PACKAGE ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS THE AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM](http://WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM), CLICK ON THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ICON, CLICK ON MEETINGS AND AGENDAS, AND DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE ACROBAT SOFTWARE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.**

**ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.**

**ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541 TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.**

## **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:**

Proclamation declaring Monday, December 3, 2001 as Wendy's High School Heisman Day.

**File #3-467**

## **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**(APPROVED 7-0)**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.**

- C-1 Minutes of the Joint Audit Committee meeting of the Roanoke City Council and the Roanoke City School Board held on Wednesday, November 14, 2001.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

**File #300-467**

- C-2 A communication from the City Manager recommending that a public hearing be advertised for Monday, December 17, 2001, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in connection with a lease agreement with Carilion Medical Center for parking space at Victory Stadium.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in request.

**File #20-221**

- C-3 Qualification of the following persons:

Henry Scholz and Stark H. Jones as members of the Roanoke Neighborhood Partnership Steering Committee for terms ending November 30, 2004;

William L. Bova as a Director of the Industrial Development Authority of the City of Roanoke for a term ending October 20, 2005; and

Courtney A. Penn as a member of the Advisory Board of Human Development for a term ending November 30, 2005, and as a member of the Roanoke Arts Commission to fill the unexpired term of Sherlie Doherty, resigned, ending June 30, 2003.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file.  
**File #15-72-110-207-230-488**

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- a. Public hearing with regard to issuance of \$12 million of Qualified Redevelopment Bonds in connection with the South Jefferson Redevelopment Area, also known as the Riverside Centre for Research and Technology. James D. Grisso, Director of Finance; and Darlene L. Burcham, City Manager.

**Adopted Resolution No. 35675-120301. (7-0)**  
**File #53-540**

### **5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a. Request of Keith Farmer, Director, Straight Street, to discuss a zoning issue.

**Received and filed.**  
**File #51-66**

- b. Update on the 2001 United Way of Roanoke Valley Campaign. Frank R. Rogan, President/CEO.

**Mr. Rogan was not present.**

## 6. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS:

### a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

### ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. A communication recommending acceptance of the bid submitted by Innovative Arena Products, Inc., for purchase and installation of an ice floor covering at the Roanoke Civic Center, in the amount of \$100,966.00; and that all other bids received by the City be rejected.

**Adopted Resolution No. 35676-120301. (7-0)**  
**File #192-472**

2. A communication recommending acceptance of the bid submitted by H. & S. Construction Co., in connection with Phase VI - New Concrete Sidewalks, Entrances and Curb on various streets within the City, in the amount of \$719,775.00; and transfer of funds in connection therewith.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 35677-120301 and Ordinance No. 35678-120301. (7-0)**  
**File #57-60**

3. A communication recommending acceptance of the bid submitted by Breakell, Inc., for construction of an elevated walkway in front of Warehouse Row between First Street and Second Street, S. W., in the amount of \$645,969.00; execution of an agreement with American Electric Power to provide appropriate street lights and associated electrical work for Phase V of the Railside Linear Walk Project, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00; and transfer and appropriation of funds in connection therewith.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 35679-120301, and Ordinance Nos. 35680-120301 and 35681-120301. (7-0)**  
**File #46-392-514**

4. A communication with regard to rejection of bids received for telephone system.

**Adopted Resolution No. 35682-120301. (7-0)**  
**File #383**

b. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Financial Report for the month of October 2001.

**Received and filed.**  
**File #1-10**

2. A report transmitting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the City of Roanoke and the City of Roanoke Pension Plan for the year ended June 30, 2001.

**Received and filed.**  
**File #1-10**

**7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.**

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**

**9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF  
ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. A resolution recognizing Edward T. Burton as the 2001 Citizen of the Year.

**Adopted Resolution No. 35683-120301. (7-0)**  
**File #80-496**

**10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Members of City Council.



**Council Member Bestpitch clarified that under the newly adopted agenda format for streamlining City Council meetings, any person may address Council under the Petitions and Communications section of the agenda, provided that the request is sponsored by two Members of Council or the City Manager, or citizens may appear under Hearing of Citizens at the end of the Council meeting.**

**File #132**

**Vice-Mayor Carder addressed confusion in the community with regard to the Red Cross and the United Way in distributing funds.**

**File #132-167**

**Council Member Hudson spoke against the new procedure for streamlining Council meetings.**

**File #132**

- b. Vacancies on various authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

## **11. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:**

**The City Manager encouraged citizens to contribute to local United Way agencies. She called attention to publications that will be available in the near future for the citizens of Roanoke; i.e.: the Municipal Calendar and the Citizens' Magazine.**

**File #104**

## **12. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

**CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR ANY NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.**

**Ms. Brenda Hale, 3595 Parkwood Drive, S. W., called attention to concerns by members of the Roanoke Chapter of the NAACP involving freedom of speech relative to Ordinance No. 35602-101801 with regard to streamlining City Council agenda items.**

**File #66-132**

**Mr. Duane Howard, 508 Walnut Avenue, S. W., also expressed concern in regard to Ordinance No. 35602-101801 relative to freedom of speech, and the right of citizens to view the entire City Council meeting on RVTV - Channel 3.**

**File #66-132**

**The meeting was declared in recess for two Closed Sessions.**

**Council Member White left the meeting prior to the Closed Sessions.**

#### **CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (6-0)**

**Reappointed Kermit E. Hale and Benjamin S. Motley as members of the Board of Zoning Appeals for terms ending December 31, 2004, and appointed Philip H. Lemon as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals to fill the unexpired term of J. Clayton Grogan, ending December 31, 2003.**

**File #15-51-110**

**Appointed Cheri W. Hartman as a member of the Advisory Board of Human Development for a term ending November 30, 2005.**

**File #15-72-110**

**Appointed Jamaal Jackson as a member of the Youth Services Citizen Board to fill the unexpired term of Sara Lee, ending May 31, 2002.**

**File #15-110-304**

**At 3:55 p.m., the meeting was declared in recess for a tour of the Williamson Road area.**

**Following the tour, the Council meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.**